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BOSTON YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN UNION.

18 BOYLSTON STREET.

THE society was instituted in 1851, and incorporated under its present name in 1852. After a successful existence of twelve years, its work was temporarily discontinued in consequence of the interruption caused by the Civil War. The work was resumed again in 1868 under its present auspices, and rooms were provided at No. 12 West Street. These soon proving too small for the purposes of the society, larger ones were taken in the fall of 1868 at what was then No. 300 Washington Street, corner of Suffolk Place, where the whole building above the first floor was eventually occupied. These premises also proving inadequate, it became necessary again to move and enlarge the accommodation. A suitable lot of land having been found, a public appeal was made in the spring of 1874 for funds with which to purchase the land and erect a building for the society. By the generosity of its friends, the necessary amount with which to begin the work was speedily secured; and the present building was completed, and dedicated to the use of the Union March 15, 1876. By the generous legacy of the late Joseph B. Eaton, a Life Member, supplemented by a free-will offering of many friends, the society was enabled in 1879 (December 10) to hold its building free from all indebtedness.

enlarged facilities not only increased the power of the Union in various fields of benevolent work at home and abroad, but the greatly augmented membership tested the building to its utmost capacity. In 1882, on account of the constantly increasing membership of the Union and the growing and pressing need of still larger accommodations, the society found that the building was still not spacious enough, and an enlargement was deemed necessary. An appeal was made to its numerous friends, who promptly responded; and the addition to the building was made, and dedicated May 28, 1883.

The extension has a frontage of seventy-two feet on Boylston Square, so that now the Union Building has light from all four sides, and covers over eleven thousand feet.

The chief aim of the officers of the society is to make the Rooms, to as great an extent as possible, a home for young men; to offer every possible attraction in the shape of books, papers, games, pleasant companions, classes, public religious services, lectures, dramatic and musical entertainments, and other means of instruction and recreation.

Without ever losing sight of its special work, the Union has always been ready to discharge its duty to the community by such general benevolent work as may come-within its scope.

In this branch of outside work, the officers have been greatly assisted by members and committees of ladies who have labored indefatigably and successfully. Among these special objects may be mentioned the Christmas and New Year's Festival for needy children, the Rides for Invalids, and Country Week for poor children.

In addition to these are the occasions when, at

times of disaster abroad, the Rooms have been made a depot for the receipt of contributions and a source for the distribution of relief.

LOCATION.

The building is situated on Boylston Street, corner of Tamworth Street, near Tremont Street, overlooking the Common, and has also a frontage on Boylston Square with an entrance opposite Washington Street.

It is open to air and light on every side, and nearly all the various lines of horse-cars pass the door.

ROOMS.

THE RECEPTION ROOM is at the head of the first flight of stairs from Boylston Street, with side windows opening upon Tamworth Street, formerly called Lowell Place. The members and all other persons visiting the Union enter here, and from this room pass to the other portions of the building occupied by the society. It contains the desks of the Curator and Librarian, and facilities for checking the garments of members. It is also supplied with tables for checkers and dominos, an aquarium, a case containing a nearly complete collection of the birds of New England, and the leading Boston daily newspapers on file. The business of the society is here transacted, strangers and others desiring information are received, and such attentions are afforded as are in the power of the Union to furnish. This room is open every day, including Sundays, from 8 o'clock A.M. to 10 o'clock P.M.

THE UNION SITTING ROOM, connected with this room, is in front on Boylston Street, and commands a fine view of the Common. It is pleasantly fur-

nished, has a piano, and is intended to be a social room for members. It contains a cabinet of collections of minerals, insects, etc. Adjoining the Sitting Room is a side room for similar purposes, and for chess-playing.

THE PRESIDENT AND DIRECTORS' ROOM, connected with the Reception Room in the rear, is used for the business purposes of the society. It commands a view of the entire floor.

THE LIBRARY AND READING ROOM is in the L, and is also connected with the Reception Room. It is lighted with windows on three sides, and is furnished with a library of over ten thousand volumes, with the leading magazines, religious papers of all denominations, illustrated, weekly, and daily newspapers. The Library Room has been enlarged, so that it now has a capacity for from forty thousand to fifty thousand volumes, and is the largest reading-room in Boston, being one hundred and twelve feet long and having five thousand feet of floor space. Members can at all times take books from the shelves and read them in the room, the Library thus becoming so attractive that many are induced to spend their time in reading who would not do so, unless the books were placed, as it were, in their hands. Books can also be taken away under the ordinary regulations.

CORRESPONDENCE.— Facilities for correspondence are furnished to members in connection with the Library.

THE UNION STUDY, also opening from the Library, is supplied with books of reference accessible to members at all times.

THE TOILET ROOM, with bathing-rooms attached, is down a rear flight of stairs from the Reception Room.

THE GYMNASIUM, another flight below, on the ground floor, is spacious and lighted on every side. The improvements in 1883 added nearly three thousand feet of floor space, so that it is now one of the largest and most complete gymnasiums in the country. It is 136 feet in length, and covers 6,200 superficial feet, exclusive of dressing-rooms, or in all over 10,000 feet. It is provided with bath-rooms, large dressingrooms, and is furnished with a great variety of new apparatus of the most approved patterns. Dressingboxes are free; and the members are entitled to the use of the tub and sponge baths, which are provided with hot and cold water. Instruction is afforded to the members by a Superintendent, Mr. J. W. Montgomery, Mr. W. H. Lyons, Assistant Superintendent, with Edward O. Otis, M.D. (Harvard), as Medical Director.

Members of the Union become entitled by the payment of seven dollars per year to the use of the Gymnasium at all times when open. Four dollars per year entitle them to its use after 7 o'clock P.M.

COMMITTEE ROOMS connect with the Parlor and each other by wide doors, and are used, as well as other smaller rooms, as occasion requires.

Five large and three small Class Rooms were gained by the addition to the building in 1883.

THE UNION HALL is reached by two easy flights from Boylston Street, as well as by a spiral staircase from the Reception Room, and has an exit on Boylston Square. It is furnished with folding seats, and is capable, with the gallery, of seating five hundred

and twenty-six people. The stage, which was enlarged and improved in 1883, is thirty-six feet wide and thirty-nine feet deep, with a proscenium twenty-one feet, and is the largest private stage in the city. It is admirably adapted for concerts, lectures, and dramatic performances, for which it is provided with new and appropriate scenery. Connected with the stage are large and convenient anterooms and dressing-rooms, with a separate entrance from Boylston Square. The hall is used for religious services, lectures, entertainments, and other public purposes of the society, and is also let for similar purposes when not used by the society.

EATON HALL is connected with The Union Hall by double folding-doors, so that the two halls may be used together, if desired; and it is also used for the ordinary purposes of the society. It will seat about one hundred persons. This hall was named Eaton Hall in memory of the late Joseph B. Eaton.

Norcross Hall, which was gained by the addition to the building, is lighted with windows opening on Boylston Square. It has a large stage and anteroom, and has a seating capacity of two hundred and seventy-five. This hall was named Norcross Hall in memory of the late Hon. Otis Norcross.

THE UNION PARLOR, reached from the Reception Room by the spiral staircase or by the main stairway, is in front, with a view of the Common. It is furnished in a pleasant, homelike manner, and contains a piano, megalethoscope, kaleidoscope, pictures, etc.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES, CLASSES, ETC.

To promote further the objects of the society, public religious services, followed by social singing, on a portion of the evenings, are held regularly Sunday evenings in The Union Hall. Classes are formed for the study of German, French, Spanish, Book keeping, Penmanship, Sketching, Vocal Music, Elocution, Phonography, Arithmetic, English Grammar, English Literature, Science, Mechanical Drawing, Physiology, and other branches. Practical talks on matters of Science, Political Economy, History, English Language, Banking, and Art, are given, also Essays in Practical Ethics, and frequent Lectures, Readings, Dramatic, Musical, and other entertainments.

BENEVOLENT AND CHARITABLE WORK.

Under the supervision of the Committee on Benevolent Action, benevolent and charitable work is carried on in various departments.

THE EMPLOYMENT BUREAU aids members, and others, in getting employment. All persons who can furnish employment, or who know of vacancies to be filled, confer a great favor by communicating with this Bureau.

THE BOARDING-HOUSE DEPARTMENT endeavors to provide good boarding-places, at a moderate price, for those desiring them.

A COMMITTEE ON CHURCHES provides members with seats in any church of the city which they desire to attend, free, or at a moderate expense, and renders such other services as are in its power.

A COMMITTEE ON CLOTHING attends to the distribution of clothing, given for the purpose, to worthy young men needing such assistance.

A COMMITTEE visits and cares for members when sick.

BENEVOLENT AND CHARITABLE WORK of various kinds is carried on by committees of members of the Union and the Ladies' Committees.

A COMMITTEE ON THE COUNTRY WEEK sends poor children into the country for vacations of ten days or a fortnight.

THE INVALID RIDES DEPARTMENT furnishes carriages for drives in the suburbs, to convalescents, in the hospitals and elsewhere.

Young men, without regard to their religious belief or associations, are cordially invited to become members of the society, and to co-operate in the accomplishment of its purposes.

The fee for Annual Membership is one dollar; for Subscription Membership, five dollars; for Life Membership, twenty-five dollars. A subscription membership for five successive years constitutes a life membership.

All persons interested in the success of the society, who are willing to aid it by contributions, professional services as teachers, by engaging in its charitable and benevolent work, or in any other way, will confer a favor by communicating with any of its officers or committees, or proffering their assistance at the Rooms.

LIFE MEMBERS.

THE cordial interest so constantly shown by our friends is again happily illustrated by our increasing list of Life Members, many of our leading business firms and other friends adding the names of young men in whom they are interested.

Each new Life Member is an addition to the number of persons having a direct interest in the present and future prosperity of the society. The Life Membership fee of \$25 is also a substantial benefit pecuniarily. A cordial invitation is again extended to all who may feel so inclined to make themselves, or friends in whom they have an interest, Life Members.

Each new Member will receive a membership card and a neatly framed Life Member's certificate.

The total number of Life Members on April 1, 1890, was one thousand six hundred and twenty-one (1,621); and the names of three hundred and thirty-two (332) members now deceased (marked *) appear in the following list.

It is desired that information of the decease of Life Members whose names are not so marked should be sent to the President, William H. Baldwin, 18 Boylston Street.

For full list of Life Members, to April 1, 1890, see the following pages.

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Baldwin, Roger Nash

Baldwin, Thomas T.

Baldwin, William H.

Baldwin, William H., Jr. Belcher, Henry A.

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Bradlee, John T.

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Woods, Edwin H.

Wright, John B. *Wright, John Seward Wright, Philip Green

Wright, Walter Channing Wyman, George H. Wyman, Howard

Young, Fred. H.

Ziegler, Frederick E.

THE following are the names of Life Members who have died during the year ending March 31, 1890:—

William F. Hastings, April 15, 1889.

Stanton Blake, April 22, 1889.

Ira C. Gray, April 22, 1889.

John F. Hartt, April 27, 1889.

George Higginson, April 27, 1889.

Rev. Henry W. Foote, May 30, 1889.

James L. Little, June 19, 1889.

Clement Willis, June 20, 1839.

David Whiton, June 23, 1889.

George B. Hyde, July 8, 1889.

Henry Woodberry, Sept. 8, 1839.

Daniel H. Richards, Sept. 8, 1839.

Eben Dale, Sept. 9, 1889.

William F. Whitcomb, Oct. 24, 1889.

James H. Blake, Nov. 12, 1889.

R. B. Forbes, Nov. 23, 1889.

C. H. Rogers, Nov. 24, 1889.

Francis W. Palfrey, Dec. 6, 1889.

Joseph H. Allen, Dec. 7, 1889.

Samuel E. Sawyer, Dec. 15, 1889.

George H. Peters, Dec. 20, 1889.

William H. Greeley, Dec. 21, 1889.

Edwin A. Wadleigh, Jan. 10, 1890.

George E. Brett, Jan. 18, 1890.

William Wilkins Warren, Jan. 23, 1890.

Alexander Beal, Jan. 25, 1890.

S. A. Dix, Feb. 16, 1890.

William P. Atkinson, March 10, 1890.

John S. Farlow, March 24, 1890.

J. Story Gerrish, March 5, 1888.

SUBSCRIPTION MEMBERS.

THE figures in parentheses represent the number of subscriptions of five dollars each paid. The payment of the fifth subscription constitutes a Life Membership, and the name of any member making such payment will be found in the Life Membership List.

Adams, Edward P. (3d)

Brown, Wilbur C. (1st)

Burgess, A. E. (2d)

Ceiley, H. H. (3d)

Codman, E. W. (1st)

Codman, Franklin L. (3d)

Day, John (1st)

Dodge, I. B. (2d)

Foster, John R. (1st)

Gooch, J. A. (2d)

Grossmann, August (1st)

Grueby, Walter Gilbert (2d)

Hill, Edward C. (1st)

Howe, Benj. Varnum (3d)

Knight, Chas. H. (4th)

Knowles, A. J. (2d)

Ladd, F. B. (2d)

Lehman, Philip G. (3d)

Locke, W. W. (1st)

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Moore, Thomas S. (3d)

Plimpton, A. L. (3d)

Reed, Walter (2d)

Stevens, H. B. (4th)

Taylor, A. O. (1st)

Wells, Chas. G. (3d)

White, Donald E. (1st

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ELECTED APRIL 10, 1889.

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Miss Jeanie Burrage. Mr. Leonard Stone.

Miss Minnie F. Ranney. Mr. Horace S. Fowle.

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REPORTS

OF THE

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MMITTEE ON FINANCE.

UPON to condition of the financial affairs of a society such this Christian Union rests largely the degree of success which will follow the labors of those who may be actively engaged in its interests.

Your Committee are now able to render their report of the past year with the same full degree of pleasure and satisfaction which has characterized the financial reports of the Union through a long period of years.

We have aimed to carefully attend to the financial interests of the Union, and, following closely upon the rule of former years, all demands of every kind against the Union during the past twelve months have been promptly poid.

Your Finance Committee would here express their gratitude — with thanks repeated — to those friends — ladies, gentlemen, and business firms — who have through the past Union year made donations on "General Purposes" account, as through this kindness to the Union on their part we have been enabled to provide for the financial needs of the constantly increasing work of this society.

Your Committee have deeply appreciated the kind and interested spirit which, as heretofore, has accom-

panied the gifts of friends during the year which has just closed.

During the past year, as in former years, many friends of the Union have called in person or forwarded amounts by mail, or otherwise, to W. H. Baldwin (Chairman Finance Committee), at his office in the Union Building, 18 Boylston Street.

Should any friends be pleased, at any time, to enclose donations for the "General Purposes" of the Union, their kindness will be fully appreciated.

All sums received will be entered in the "Book of Donors," and receipts sent by mail or given at the time.

The Committee present (on the next page) the following financial statement made by the Treasurer, William L. Richardson.

WILLIAM H. BALDWIN, *Chairman*. WILLIAM L. RICHARDSON. HENRY H. SPRAGUE.

Note.— The report of the "Trustees of the Permanent Fund" is given on pages 82 and 83, to which the attention of all friends of the Union is specially called.

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BOSTON YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN UNION in Account with WILLIAM L. RICHARDSON, Treasurer.	Advertising, Benevolent Action, Expenses of Committee on Members, Gymnasium, Lectures, Classes, and Entertainments, Library, Reading Room, and Study, Postage, Printing, Public Worship, Salaries, extra labor, collections, etc., Stationery, Sundries,	Expenses of Room Committee:— Fitting, repairs, furniture, etc., \$2,787.03 Gas. fuel, water, ice, and electric lighting, 4,748.99 Expenses of Special Committees:— Christmas and New Year's Festival, \$1,397.73 County Week, 2,012.51 Rides for Invalids, 2,012.51 Christmas Festival, County Week,	contract approach to the contract of the contr
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Dr. Boston Young Men's Chris	Balance on hand March 31, 1889:— Christmas Festival, Country Week, Rides for Invalids, General Purposes, Caneral Purposes, Cash received from Trustees, Cymnasium Tickets, etc., Lectures, Classes, and Entertainments, Library fines, sale of old books, etc., Life Membership.	Membership Tickets, Receipts for gas, heating, water, etc., Rent of Halls, Rcoms, etc., Interest, Special Donations:— Christmas and New Year's Festival for Poor Children, Country Week, Rides for Invalids, Total receipts, Total receipts,	
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The item for advertising includes only the amount spent for general advertising, the amounts spent for the various departments of the Union work being charged under their respective heads.

The expenses of the Thanksgiving Dinner, and the special donations received for the same, are placed in the account of the Committee on Benevolent Action.

WILLIAM L. RICHARDSON,

Treasurer.

COMMITTEE ON LECTURES, CLASSES, AND ENTERTAINMENTS.

The efforts of this Committee in the past have been so well appreciated by the large audiences that gather in The Union Hall that every endeavor is made to meet the expectations of its friends. The following reports of the various departments attempt to give in detail the results of the year's work.

The subjects of the various courses of Lectures are embraced under the titles of The Municipal Government of Boston, Its Rise and Development: The Chinese in America: Old Boston—from 1654 to 1800: Some Peculiarities of Modern Journalism: The Boyhood of Famous Writers: A Humorist and a Poet Philosopher: A Man of Letters and the Poet of the Lakes: The Great Romancer and the Poet of the Revolution: Nihilism in Russia and the Cause of Discontent: Gladstone and what he stands for: Brébeuf, or the Silver Bust of Quebec: The Life and Character of Charles Sumner: Social Life of the Japanese: The High Court of America: Friend Jacob Bright and his Son John: Natural History, Science, and Travel.

On Wednesday evenings, The Union Hall is occupied by members and their friends to witness the entertainment offered for their pleasure.

The summary of the work accomplished is shown by these statistics:—

Eighteen (18) classes, with a membership of six hundred and seventy-two (672); fifteen (15) Literary Lectures; eleven "Practical Talks"; Reading of Dickens's "Christmas Carol"; sixteen (16) Concerts and Readings; one Illustrated Lecture; four (4) Concerts; seven (7) Dramatic Performances; Thanksgiving Dinner; Public Reception and Anniversary (thirty-eighth year).

Tuesday evenings have been devoted to the various lecture courses, and on Saturday night the "Practical Talks" close the week, which has been well spent by those who have availed themselves of the opportunities for instruction and recreation which are offered here.

The Lectures have drawn interested audiences. The Union Hall has been filled with those who sought to spend an hour in a profitable and pleasant way, and the classes have furnished instruction for all bent on self-improvement.

In all the arrangements, the President, Mr. William H. Baldwin, and Mr. H. C. Bronsdon, the Curator, have furnished valuable assistance.

CLASSES.— The class list for the season of 1889-90 is as follows:—

Classes. Teacher.	Membership.
Arithmetic, J. M. Hitt,	· · 33
Book-keeping (two classes), Joseph S. Parsons,	72
Penmanship, F. I. Temple,	57
Phonography, F. L. Maraspin,	· · 55
Physiology, J. H. Huddleston, M.D.,	17
Elocution, Charles Bickford,	100
English Grammar, F. I. Wheat,	30
Science, J. C. Sharp,	19
Drawing (mechanical), Joseph A. Frizzell,	30
Drawing (free-hand), Rudolph Guenther,	26
French (elementary), Berlitz School,	63
French (advanced), Berlitz School,	28
German (elementary), Jacob Lehmann,	• • 49
German (advanced), J. W. Buhlert,	28
Spanish (two classes), R. S. Sturgis,	48
English Literature, Miss H. A. Wilkins,	17
Total,	672

The term began Nov. 4, 1889, and continued until the last of March, with an extension of time in certain cases where the interest of the pupils was such as to induce them to employ the services of their teacher for a supplementary course. Thirteen branches were taught. There were eighteen classes and fifteen teachers.

The methods employed in our class-work have continued essentially the same as those of the previous season. In each branch, lessons have been given weekly for a term of twenty weeks. Admission to these lessons is by a card, which the applicant for class-membership receives upon payment of one dollar, a fee which may be claimed at the end of the term, less ten cents for each unexcused absence. Ladies are admitted to most of the classes upon payment of the same fee, not returnable.

Certain changes in teachers and in classes may be briefly noted.

The names of ladies have rarely appeared upon our list of teachers, but an exception has been made the past season, Miss H. A. Wilkins having been secured as instructor in English Literature. Her thorough acquaintance with the subject, her culture and intelligence, have enabled her to make the study a most interesting one, and have fully warranted this innovation.

In the Physiology Class, Dr. Stanard's faithful services have been succeeded by those of Dr. Huddleston, whose devoted and able efforts merited a larger patronage.

Mr. H. P. Place, so long in charge of our class in advanced German, has been forced to abandon the Union service, much to the general regret; and this class was merged with the intermediate one under Mr. Buhlert. A similar combination was also effected with the advanced and intermediate classes in French, and the two resulting classes were placed in charge of Professor Jamin of the Berlitz School, who has conducted them with marked ability and success.

Our students of shorthand have also experienced a

change of teacher, losing Mr. Marshall after four seasons of most efficient service, but securing a very competent successor in Mr. Maraspin.

Mr. A. T. Whittemore, after a still longer period of service, was obliged at the beginning of the season to resign his position with us on account of ill health. As a teacher of Penmanship, he has been very popular and successful, and his loss to us is a real one. His successor, Mr. Temple, however, has given good satisfaction, and has proved both competent and faithful.

Mr. Miles, of the Arithmetic Class, has given place to Mr. J. M. Hitt, a gentleman of experience and ability as a teacher, who has given added value to his work by the warm personal interest which he has shown in it.

Professor Bickford, our teacher of Elocution, has again proved his popularity by attracting the banner class, in point of numbers, and has demonstrated the excellence of the results obtained through the enjoyable exhibition given by his more advanced pupils at the close of the term.

We again invite the attention of our members and others to this branch of the Union work. It is intended that the instruction offered shall be of the best in character and in method, and it is earnestly desired that the advantages thus easily attainable may be extensively enjoyed and appreciated.

PRACTICAL TALKS, EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL SERIES.—
The course of lectures as given by the Union during the last seventeen years under the title of "Practical Talks" has been held during the past season.

Interesting and timely topics have been presented in a very instructive manner. The stereopticon has been of valuable assistance in the entertainment of the large audiences, whose presence has been the best assurance to the Committee that their endeavor to provide instructive and practical lectures has been appreciated by the members, and by the public who were invited, as for the past seventeen years, to attend the full course.

The following lectures have been given during the past year:—

1890.

- Jan. 4. Professor James F. Babcock, of Boston. Subject, "The Chemistry of a Match." An account of the various means of producing fire, from the earliest times to the present, with chemical experiments and stereopticon illustrations.
- Jan. 11. Edward E. Small, of Boston. Subject, "Cetacea: All the Species of Whales, their Habits, and Modes of Capture." Illustrated by the stereopticon. 40 to 50 views.
- Jan. 18. Robert J. Long, of Boston. Subject, "An Evening in Nova Scotia." Illustrated by the stereopticon. 100 views. Towns and Villages, Street Scenes, Historic Places, Harbor Pictures, Portraits of Eminent Men, Beautiful Lakes and Rivers, Mining Scenery, etc.
- Jan. 25. Edward Atkinson, of Boston. Subject, "The Railroad as a Factor in the Economic Development of the Nation."
- Feb. 1. A. Monroe Thayer, of Boston. Subject, "Marvels of the New West; or, A Trip through the Wonderland of America." Divided into six departments. Illustrated by the stereopticon. 100 views, most of them colored.
- Feb. 8. Gilman C. Fisher, Superintendent of Schools, Weymouth, Mass. Subject, "Russia and the Russians."

 Illustrated by the stereopticon with 70 views.
- Feb. 15. George W. Penniman, of Fall River, Mass. Subject, "From Plymouth Rock to the Golden Gate." (Rambles Overland from Ocean to Ocean.) Illustrated by the stereopticon. Nearly 100 views.
- Feb. 22. Professor James F. Babcock, of Boston. Subject, "The Chemistry of a Grain of Salt." Illustrated by numerous and brilliant Chemical Experiments.

- Mar. 1. Francis A. Walker, President of Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Subject, "The Eight-hour Agitation."
- Mar. 8. Rev. Robert Collyer, of New York. Subject, "Friend Jacob Bright and his Son John."
- Mar. 15. Frederick A. Ober, of Boston. Subject, "Ancient Cities of America." This lecture contained a description of the Aborigines, Mound Builders, and of the lecturer's explorations among the Wonderful Ruins found throughout North and Central America, and was illustrated by the stereopticon. 60 rare and original illustrations.

LITERARY LECTURES.— Four courses of Lectures, enumerated below, on subjects of varied interest, attracted large audiences which were well rewarded by listening to the able manner in which the topics were treated.

Combined with the "Practical Talks" and the course in "Practical Ethics," a great amount of valuable instruction was presented during the past year for the consideration of our members.

The first series opened in December, in Norcross Hall, as follows:—

Tuesday Evenings.

1889.

- Dec. 3. Hon. Henry H. Sprague, Vice-President of the Boston Young Men's Christian Union. Subject, "The Municipal Government in Boston: Its Rise and Development."
- Dec. 10. William Lloyd Garrison, of Boston. Subject, "The Chinese in America."
- Dec. 17. Colonel Henry Lee, of Boston. Subject, "Old Boston,—from 1654 to 1800."
- Dec. 24. Omitted on account of Christmas Eve. Entertainment in The Union Hall.
- Dec. 31. Stephen O'Meara, of Boston. Subject, "Some Peculiarities of Modern Journalism."

In January, a course was given on "The Literature of the Last Part of the Eighteenth and the Beginning of the Nineteenth Century," by Professor William P. Atkinson, for twenty-four years professor at Massachusetts Institute of Technology:—

1890.

Jan. 7. "The Boyhood of Famous Writers."

Jan. 14. "A Humorist and a Poet Philosopher."

Jan. 21. "A Man of Letters and the Poet of the Lakes."

Jan. 28. "The Great Romancer and the Poet of the Revolution."

These Lectures were presented in a practical way, the main object being to guide young people in a course of reading in English literature.

Illustrated by biographical sketches of different writers and their place in English literature.

Reference to a course of reading upon the writers of the period was put upon the blackboard.

In February, the Political Influences at work in various countries were treated as follows:—

Feb. 4. Postponed to March 25, 1890.

Feb. 11. John Baker, of Boston, formerly of Russian Poland. Subject, "Nihilism in Russia, and the Cause of Discontent."

Feb. 18. Rev. Reuen Thomas, D.D., of Brookline, Mass. Subject, "Gladstone, and What he Stands for."

Feb. 25. Rev. William Burnett Wright, D.D., of New Britain, Conn., formerly of Boston. Subject, "Brébeuf; or, The Silver Bust of Quebec."

The Tuesday evening series closed in March with: -

Mar. 4. William H. Baldwin, President, gave (by requests) an account of his "Visit to the Armies of the James and of the Potomac," October, 1864. Illustrated by

map, then made, showing points of special interest at that time in the Civil War. He also gave a brief review of prominent events previous to and at the close of the Rebellion.

Mar. 11. Archibald H. Grimkie. Subject, "The Life and Character of Charles Sumner." Died March 11, 1874.

Mar. 18. Rev. William Elliot Griffis, D.D., of Boston. Subject, "Social Life of the Japanese." The In-door Home Life of the People,—Family Government, Social Customs, and Hospitalities, as gathered from the Lecturer's observations as Guest, Friend, Visitor, or Inquisitive Looker-on, and from the Books of Etiquette, General Literature, Dramatic Representations, and Interrogation of all Classes of Society, from the Emperor's Palace to the Beggar's Hut.

Mar. 25. Rev. Edward E. Hale, of Boston. Subject, "The High Court of America."

Both lecturers and audiences took a lively interest in the courses announced, and many opinions and researches were offered and received of great importance and value. The lectures just closed have been of much service to the student in literature and history.

ENTERTAINMENTS.— Wednesday night is especially devoted to Entertainments; and the Committee in charge have given careful attention to this special field, for the period of eight months out of the twelve, during the past twenty-two years.

The object of all this work is that the members of the Boston Young Men's Christian Union may have the best Entertainments that can be arranged. Few organizations can show a better list of names on their records than appear in the annual reports of this Committee.

The standard aimed at in the arrangement of its programmes has always been a high one, and the artists

who so generously give their time and talents take a genuine pleasure in appearing before such appreciative audiences.

The very complete arrangements of the stage, and the elegant appearance of The Union Hall assist largely in the pleasure of these occasions.

The Committee gratefully extend their thanks to all those friends whose generous assistance has been so freely given in this course of Entertainments. Bearing in mind the record of the past, the Committee have used great efforts to present attractions equal to any former season, and submit the following report, confident that there has been no falling off in the merits of the programmes offered.

The Union Bulletin has been issued, as usual, on Wednesday and Saturday evenings, containing the programme of the evening and announcements of all matters of current interest to the members of the Union.

Tickets for free admission of one member and lady have been issued, upon application, to all entertainments except the dramatic. To these a charge of fifteen cents, or two tickets for twenty-five cents, has been made to cover necessary expenses.

There were thirty (30) Entertainments given, and two hundred and twenty-seven (227) persons have kindly given their services in behalf of the Union.

The following is the list of Entertainments:—
1889.

- Apr. 3. Entertainment by the Somerville Tennis Association:
 (By permission) Bronson Howard's play in four acts,
 "Young Mrs. Winthrop." Madame Dietrich-Strong,
 pianist.
- Apr. 17. Grand Concert: Mrs. Louise Baldwin Powers, soprano;
 Misses Elinor M. Teear, Mabel Davis, contraltos;
 Miss Minnie Gould, accompanist; Mr. J. M. Dugan,
 pianist; and a string quartette: Messrs. J. W. How-

- ard and H. A. Milliken, violins; Mr. B. S. Griffin, viola; Mr. Ch. C. Parkyn, 'cello.
- Apr. 24. Illustrated Lecture by Frederick A. Ober: Subject, "A Peep into the Dark Continent." New lecture.

 Never before delivered in Boston. Illustrated by the stereopticon, about one hundred views.
- May 1. Concert and Readings: Mrs. Abbie F. Hervey, soprano; Mr. Philip Greely, tenor; Mr. H. G. Hopper, pianist; Mr. Clarence A. Wheeler, reader.
- May 8. Entertainment by the Criterion Club: "Don Cæsar de Bazan," a comedy in four acts, by A'Beckett and Lemon. Mr. H. C. Daggett, pianist.
- May 15. Concert and Readings: Miss Ella Archer Haddy, reader;
 Miss Alice Sibley, contralto; Miss Minnie M. Gould,
 accompanist; assisted by Misses Stella Hawke,
 Rozeta McDonough, Zita Mulloy, violins (pupils
 of Miss Marion Osgood, Boston); Miss Marion
 Osgood, accompanist.
- May 22. Concert and Readings: Miss Maud K. Williams, soprano; Miss Pauline Hammond, contralto; Mr. Arthur F. Burnett, tenor; Mr. Allen B. Davenport, baritone; Madame Dietrich-Strong, pianist; Miss Alice C. S. Wood, reader.
- May 29. Boston Young Men's Christian Union Public Anniversary Reception. Vocal and instrumental music by the Haydn Quartette, of Boston: Walter E. Paine, counter-tenor; Edwin Howard, tenor; W. W. Walker, baritone; W. B. Robinson, bass; and by the Boston Cadet Orchestra.
- Oct. 23. Concert and Readings: Mrs. G. B. Lenfest, soprano; Miss M. Gertrude Hillman, contralto; Mr. Arthur W. Wellington, bass; Mrs. H. E. Morey, accompanist; Dr. L. B. Fenderson, reader.
- Oct. 30. Grand Concert. Boston Male Quartette: Mr. B. H. Macurdy, first tenor; Mr. T. H. Keenan, second tenor; Mr. E. E. Gorham, first bass; Mr. R. C. Macurdy, second bass; Mrs. Abbie F. Hervey, soprano; Miss Alice M. Sibley, contralto; Miss Minnie M. Gould, accompanist; Miss Marion Osgood, violin; Master Fred Butler, violin, pupil of Miss Osgood, Boston.

Nov. 6. Entertainment by the Wallack Dramatic Company:
"Time and the Hour." Madame Dietrich-Strong,
pianist.

Nov. 13. Concert and Readings: Miss Grace Annie Munroe, contralto; Mr. E. L. Caton, tenor; Mr. F. Fred. Howard, baritone; Mr. W. S. G. Kennedy, accompanist; Mr. F. C. McLaughlin, reader.

Nov. 20. Concert and Readings: Miss Hattie S. Whittier, soprano;
Mr. Arthur F. Burnett, tenor; Mr. C. H. Tucker,
zither; Madame Dietrich-Strong, accompanist; Lucia
Mead Priest, reader.

Dec. 4. Entertainment by the Olympic Dramatic Company: "Our Boys." Madame Dietrich-Strong, pianist.

- Dec. 11. Concert and Readings. The Bijou Entertainers: Miss Minnie M. Gould, soprano soloist, auto-harpist, pianist; Miss Grace Bullock, 'cellist; Miss Anna Kate Perkins, reciter; Miss Mabel E. Wilson, accompanist.
- Dec. 18. Concert by the Wheatland Banjo Club of Dorchester, assisted by Mr. A. F. Jones, banjo soloist, and Miss Annie W. Chapin, reader: banjos, Mr. N. Thomas Merritt, Jr., Mr. Fred W. Brown, Mr. Willis P. Davis, Mr. Walter F. Frederick, Mr. Arthur F. Fuller, Mr. George E. Lawrence, Mr. William W. McNaught, Mr. William F. Merritt, Mr. Samuel B. Reed, Mr. William U. Sherman, Mrs. Josie W. Brown, Miss Fannie F. Blake, Miss Georgie I. Brown, Miss Maude C. Lee, Miss May A. Merritt, Miss Mabel E. Morgan, Miss Mabel V. Simonds, Miss Jennie B. Spurr; guitars, Mr. Samuel D. Bradlee, Mr. Harry B. Whall, Miss Kate E. Brown, Miss Nana B. Lawrence, Miss Mabel S. Stearns; mandolins, Mr. Walter F. Frederick, Mr. Robert C. W. Lett, Miss Nana B. Lawrence, Mr. Ernest R. Spaulding; Mr. Frank B. Frederick, 'cello.
- Dec. 24. Christmas Eve Entertainment: Professor Moses True
 Brown read Charles Dickens's "Christmas Carol,"
 in four staves (for the tenth time before the Young
 Men's Christian Union). Music by Mrs. Flora E.
 Barry and Miss Alice M. Sibley, contraltos; Miss
 Alma C. Norton, soprano; Messrs. George Mendall
 Taylor and H. Lorenzo Teetzel, pianists.

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- Jan. 1. Concert and Readings: Miss Adelaide J. Griggs, contralto; Mr. Will H. Griggs, baritone; Mr. Franz Listemann, 'cello; Mr. Edmund Kuntz and Mrs. Alice May Fisher, accompanists; Ella Archer Haddy. reader.
- Jan. 8. Entertainment by the Criterion Club: "Mrs. Walthrop's Bachelors," a comedy in three acts, from the German of Benedix. Mr. B. P. Colburn, pianist.
- Jan. 15. Concert and Readings: Mrs. Carrie Harriman Brown soprano; Miss Emma I. Rice, contralto; Mr. Edwin L. Gardiner, baritone; Miss Ida Florence, reader Madame Dietrich-Strong, pianist; Miss Georgie D Learned, accompanist.
- Jan. 22. Concert and Readings: Schumann Male Quartette and others. Mr. J. F. Hanshue, first tenor; Mr. W. H. Turner, first bass; Mr. A. F. Burnett, second tenor; Mr. H. W. Upham, second bass; Mrs. L. P. Morrill and Miss Margaret van Hovenberg, sopranos; Mr. W. S. Battis, reader; Madame Dietrich-Strong, pianist; Abbie Clark Ford, accompanist.
- Jan. 29. Concert and Readings. Ogden Concert Company: Miss Marian Ogden, violin soloist; Miss Louie Ogden, contralto and second violin; Master Norman Ogden, violoncello soloist; Miss Daisy Monroe, cornet soloist; Miss Ruth Deiterich, piano soloist and accompanist; Mr. John E. Ogden, viola; Mr. John P. Ogden, contra-bass; Mr. W. P. Tripp, humorous reader and impersonator.
 - Feb. 5. Entertainment by the Criterion Club: "Mrs. Walthrop's Bachelors," a comedy in three acts, from the German of Benedix. Gerard Taillandier, pianist; Mr. Walter H. Dugan, stage manager.
 - Feb. 12. Concert and Readings: Miss Lillian E. Bullock, mezzo soprano; Mr. H. L. Dring, baritone; Miss Louise M. Steffens and Mr. W. F. Steffens, violins; Miss Minnie M. Gould and Mr. E. L. Gardiner, accompanists; Miss Lilly Hollingshead and Mr. Franklin McLeay, readers.
 - Feb. 19. Concert and Readings: Miss Minnie M. Gould, soprano;
 Miss Elinor M. Teear, contralto; Madame DietrichStrong, accompanist; Mrs. Adelaide Ford Hibbard,
 reader.

- Feb. 26. Concert and Readings: Miss Blanche M. White, soprano; Mr. James H. Mahan, tenor; Mr. S. S. Townsend, baritone; Mr. Frank Leslie Crowell, accompanist; Annie Scrutton Hough, reader.
- Mar. 5. Bronson Howard's play in four acts (by permission to Mrs. Effic D. Balderston, of Philadelphia, Pa.), "Young Mrs. Winthrop." Mr. Charles S. Soule, stage manager; Miss Mabel Tucker, pianist; Mr. Claude Fisher, violinist.
- Mar. 12. Concert and Readings: Mrs. Seddie Poole Eaves, soprano (pupil of Miss Lillian Carll Smith); Miss Lillian Carll Smith, contralto; Miss Edith Meek, reader; Mr. Walter A. Pick, pianist.
- Mar. 19. Concert and Readings: Miss Emma S. Howe, soprano; Miss Kate S. Hammond, contralto; Madame Dietrich-Strong, pianist; Professor Charles Bickford, reader.
- Mar. 26. Attractive Concert. Orpheus Concert Club: Misses
 Edith Christie and Fanny Packard Hoyt, violins;
 Mr. Clarence D. Miller, viola; Mr. Franz Listemann,
 violoncello; Miss Clara A. Hunt, soprano; Fritz
 Listemann, piano accompanist.

Thanksgiving Dinner was held in The Union Hall on Thanksgiving Day; and when the doors opened at one o'clock an attractive sight greeted the eyes of the Union members who had responded to the cordial invitation of the Board of Government to be present at this old New England festival. Three long tables, running the length of the hall, were covered with a handsome display of glass, chinaware, and flowers, while a neatly printed bill of fare was placed beside each plate. The platform was tastefully decorated with harvest products and the national bunting, and the word "Welcome" appeared in gilt letters on a banner.

When the march which had been played by Mr. J. Malcolm Black had ended, the tables were surrounded

by a large gathering of members of the Union who were unable on account of distance or other reasons to be with their kindred or friends on this day. All joined with President Baldwin in repeating an opening prayer, which was in print; and then the dinner was served in courses by an efficient corps of Union members, assisted by experienced carvers in the adjoining hall.

The President took occasion to say that by a vote of members of the Board of Government and the Dinner Committee the hot coffee provided as usual for the dinner had been distributed to the Boston firemen who had been so valiantly fighting the flames at the terrible fire that morning, in the vicinity of the Union, this announcement being received with hearty cheers.

Throughout the day, Mr. Bronsdon, the Curator, and Mr. Burrill of the Board of Government, assisted by a corps of Union members who volunteered their services, went over the burnt district in express wagons engaged for the purpose, and supplied the exhausted firemen with hot coffee and rolls, a portion of which had been generously contributed by hotels and business firms in the vicinity. No pains were spared to reach every fireman, refreshments being carried to the tops of buildings, into smoking and burning warerooms, and among the roaring engines, these efforts being highly appreciated by the hard-working men.

The dinner was provided by the following generous donors:—

E. O. Punchard & Co., of the Parker House, poultry and plum puddings; J. Reed Whipple, Young's Hotel, poultry; George G. Hall, Adams House, poultry, pastry, and cake; R. B. Brigham & Co., rolls; S. S. Pierce & Co., dessert in full variety; James Dooling, ice-creams, and the use of tables, cutlery, spoons,

etc.; George Johnson, vegetables; Jones, McDuffee & Stratton, use of china and glassware; harvest decorations from George Johnson; Japanese napkins from W. B. Clarke & Co.; Otis A. Ruggles, flowers; Cobb, Bates & Yerxa, sugar, butter, etc.; David Whiting & Sons, butter and milk; Oriental Tea Company, coffee; Cobb, Aldrich & Co., pure distilled water: George H. Ellis, attractive bills of fare; also voluntary cash contributions from friends.

At the conclusion of the dinner, addresses were made by President Baldwin, Rev. Phillips Brooks, Rev. E. A. Horton, Hon. H. H. Sprague, Vice-President of the Union, Mr. George N. Faught of the Dinner Committee, and Mr. H. C. Bronsdon, Curator.

An interesting feature of these Thanksgiving occasions is the after-dinner speaking by representatives of various States and countries who have made Boston their home; and many interesting remarks were made by young men from England, Scotland, Ireland, Denmark, Germany, Austria, Sweden, Switzerland, Canada, Cape Breton, New Zealand, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Italy, Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Iowa, West Virginia, and Dakota.

A hearty vote of thanks was passed to each and all of the donors, and to all friends who had in any way contributed to the success of the occasion; also to the Special Dinner Committee, to the young men who served as waiters, to the force of carvers, and to the President and his associates on the Board of Government for their interest in the welfare and happiness of the many young men who are reached and benefited by the Union.

After singing "My Country, 'tis of thee," in full

chorus, the large company adjourned to the parlors, library, and other rooms of the Union.

The system of serving these dinners has been so perfected after years of experience that all delay and confusion are obviated, and every guest is promptly and satisfactorily waited upon.

The Committee of Arrangements consisted of Messrs. W. H. Baldwin, George Peirce, and Walter H. Dugan on the part of the Board, and Messrs. George N. Faught, R. L. Harper, Jr., and H. C. Bronsdon on the part of the members.

Public Anniversary Reception.— Several years ago the Board of Directors felt the need of closer acquaintance with the great body of the members of the Union, and upon the completion of the extensive addition to the building it was determined to celebrate the usual Anniversary season in a somewhat more informal manner. Abandoning the customary Mass Meeting at Music Hall, with all its interesting traditions, it was decided to throw open to inspection the entire building, occupied by the various offices of the Union, and the methods by which the work was carried on.

Life Members, Subscription Members, and Annual Members, with their friends, were fully notified, and crowded the rooms by hundreds.

This plan has been followed for some years, and when the Thirty-eighth Anniversary came round there was no diminution of numbers.

Young men and old men, mothers, sisters, friends, employers and employees, thronged the Reception Room, Library, The Union Hall, Gymnasium, and other rooms, and exchanged congratulations.

The President and Directors received the guests,

and were assisted in their pleasant duties by a corps of ushers specially selected for the occasion.

The Boston Cadet Orchestra and the Haydn Quartette entertained the company with excellent music. Members of the Gymnasium exhibited the variety of work taught in that department.

The drawings and sketches of the class in Drawing were on exhibition in Class Room No. 3.

GEORGE PEIRCE, Chairman. EDWARD A. CHURCH. FRANK L. LOCKE.

COMMITTEE ON LIBRARY.

During the past year, the Library has been under the care of Mr. Richard Ray, Jr. The following report by him shows the general condition of the Library during the year:—

Number of volumes at the beginning of the year	, .			9, 974
Added by donation,		•	20	
Added by purchase,			• • •	
Bound from periodicals,		•	<u>31</u>	528
				10,502
Missing at annual examination,			107	
Discarded,	•		3	110
Number of volumes in Library at present time,				10,392
Number of volumes rebound during the year, .				694
Number of volumes discarded and replaced, .				30
Issued for home reading,				18,505
Charged (April 1, 1890) as out,				642

The Reading-room receives regularly seventeen dailies (of which four are duplicated), sixty-five weeklies, thirty-one monthlies, and four quarterlies, making a total of one hundred and seventeen periodicals.

STUDY.

Number of volumes at the beginning of the y	rear	,			267
Added by donation,	•	•	•	•	8
					275
Missing at annual examination,		•			6
Number of volumes in study at present time,					269

From June 16 to 30 no books were issued for home use; and the Library was closed for the annual examination from July 1 to 16, inclusive.

During this time, sixty-five new shelves were added to the Library; and the Reference Collection was transferred to more commodious quarters.

The Library continues to be one of the most useful and popular branches of the Union; and it is very gratifying to the Committee to note the increasing interest shown by our young men in this department.

The principal collections in the library are located as follows:—

										Shelves.
Poetry and the Drama,								•		I-I2
Fiction,			•			•				13-98
History,	•	•	•		•		•		•	177-200
Biography and Correspondence,					•	•		•	{	203-229 313-318
Travel and Description,										0 .
Political Economy, Social Scient										
Fine and Practical Arts,			•					•		251-255
Literature and Miscellaneous,	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	136-176
Theology, etc.,	•	•		•	•			•	•	106-135
Bound volumes Periodicals, .	ı	•	•	•		•		٠.	•	340-377
Books of Reference,		•				•			•	378-398

As usual, the card catalogue has been continued, and is in constant use, much to the advantage of those who use the Library.

As heretofore, all applications from members for

books not in the Library have received prompt and careful attention; and books thus desired, if deemed suitable by the Committee, have been purchased, and placed on the shelves.

WILLIAM L. RICHARDSON, Chairman. WILLIAM B. CLARKE.

HENRY H. SPRAGUE.

COMMITTEE ON ROOMS.

The work of the Committee embraces the care of the various rooms throughout the Union Building, the oversight of the service, and the making of the various repairs and improvements called for from time to time. The increased use during the past year, not only of the reception and sitting-rooms and library, but of the various halls and class-rooms, indicates the gradual growth of the work for which the society was instituted, and its constantly increasing prosperity.

During the busier period, the necessity for additional rooms for classes has compelled the use of the parlors for this purpose. The attendance in the Library, Reading, and Sitting-rooms has been greater than ever before.

No considerable renovations were made the past season, though the ordinary summer repairs are necessarily in every year considerable. Some additional scenery has been provided for The Union Hall, which has been in large demand for public uses, when not required by the society. No private hall in the city is now better equipped for concerts, readings, lectures, and dramatic entertainments, or more attractive for such purposes.

The Union has been pleasantly remembered by vari-

ous ladies and gentlemen, who have presented for the use of the rooms various pictures, books, maps, photographs, a stereopticon with views, and other acceptable donations.

An especially acceptable gift was the portrait of the President, painted by Robert Gordon Hardie, and presented to the Union by John P. Spaulding and his brother, the late Mahlon D. Spaulding. In accordance with the suggestion which had been made, it was determined that the occasion of the completion of the twenty-one years' service of the President should be observed by a public reception to the members and to the friends of Mr. Baldwin and of the Union, and that the picture should be presented to the society at that The invitations to the reception were cordially accepted; and the rooms were thronged by ladies and gentlemen who came, many to renew their old acquaintance with the Union, and all to testify their present interest in the society and their gratitude and respect for the President for his long, zealous, faithful, and successful labors here. The letter of Mr. John P. Spaulding presenting the portrait to the Trustees of the Permanent Fund of the Union, and the letter accepting it, by Hon. Samuel C. Cobb, the chairman of the Trustees, are as follows:—

Boston, Oct. 19, 1889.

To Hon. Samuel C. Cobb, Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Permanent Fund of the Boston Young Men's Christian Union, Boston:

Dear Sir,— Most gratefully appreciating, as we all do, the faithful, intelligent, inspiring labors on behalf of the Union during the past twenty-one years of its President, whom we all love for his own sterling worth, character, and example as well as for his unselfish devotion to the best welfare of all young men who can be brought within reach of the benefits of our institution, which, growing under his hand from a small beginning to a

condition of prosperity, has become a source of great power and constantly broadening influence for good, my brother Mahlon and I, some time before his death, endeavored to find a way of placing before all who now are, or in the future may be, interested in the Union some appropriate, enduring reminder of this great work of its best friend.

By the consent of Mr. Baldwin to sit for his portrait to Mr. Robert Gordon Hardie, fully arranged by my brother before his death, our desires in this matter have been most happily fulfilled; and I now beg to present, on behalf of my late brother and myself, to the Union through you, its Trustees, the accompanying portrait of its President, Mr. William H. Baldwin, with the earnest hope that he may long be spared in health to labor for the cause so dear to his heart.

Most sincerely yours,

JOHN P. SPAULDING.

Boston, Oct. 21, 1889.

To John P. Spaulding, Esq.:

My dear Sir,—I have received with much satisfaction your communication of the 19th inst., presenting to the Young Men's Christian Union, as a gift from yourself and your late lamented brother, a portrait of William H. Baldwin, its beloved President.

In behalf of the Trustees of the Permanent Fund belonging to the institution, I accept this admirable work of art, with a deep sense of the kind purpose which inspired the gift. It is eminently fitting that the portrait of the man who has done so much to build up and to place upon a firm foundation one of the noblest institutions in our city should be associated with the scene of his labors; that the form as well as the name of so ardent and untiring a worker in the cause of humanity should be preserved as a just memorial of himself and an animating example to others.

The present high position of usefulness enjoyed by the organization is due largely to the personal efforts of Mr. Baldwin, in whom the philanthropist and the practical man of business are happily united.

Twenty-one years ago he accepted with reluctance and at considerable personal sacrifice the position of President of the corporation. It was at that time an organization with small means and a very limited field of operation. It was by no means clear that it would be able to make an assured position for itself among the leading benevolent and charitable institutions already estab-

lished and depending upon the free-will offerings of the people for support. It can be said without exaggeration that since Mr Baldwin has been its chief administrative officer no similar institution in the land can show a better record of substantial growth and of practical work in the high sphere of promoting good citizenship.

For your manifestation of interest and confidence in the beneficent work of the Union, I return the most grateful and heartfelt acknowledgment of the Trustees.

Very sincerely yours,

SAMUEL C. COBB,

Chairman Board of Trustees, etc.

The rooms have been under the care of Herbert C. Bronsdon, Curator; and the following have continued most satisfactorily in their respective positions: Richard Ray, Jr., Librarian; William H. Brown, Bookkeeper; Peter J. Brennan, Janitor; George Seaborn, Mechanical Engineer and Carpenter; and Stephen N. Wigglesworth as Stage Superintendent.

The corps of ushers in The Union Hall for the year has been Richard L. Harper, Jr., Chairman, Louis J. Heuser, Kilburn Bills, Herbert A. Libby, George W. R. Harriman, Frank E. Garvin, John W. Newman, Clarence H. Cutler, and Walter C. Bean. All have kindly given their service at such times as were needed; and much credit is due them for the deepfelt interest which they have manifested.

The Committee are greatly indebted for the courteous and faithful manner in which all these helpers and employés have served the Union.

HENRY H. SPRAGUE. GEORGE PEIRCE. JOHN H. EDWARDS.

COMMITTEE ON MEMBERS.

The Committee on Members again takes pleasure in calling attention to the great interest taken in the Union as shown by the large membership.

During the year, eighty-five (85) Life, ten (10) Subscription, and one thousand four hundred and seventy (1,470) Annual Members have joined the Union, and nineteen (19) Subscription Members, five of whom by payment of last subscriptions have become Life Members, and one thousand nine hundred and fourteen (1,914) Annual Members have renewed their memberships, which, with the living Life Members of previous years, makes a grand total of five thousand and thirty-one (5,031).

WALTER H. DUGAN, *Chairman*. WILLIAM B. CLARKE. GEORGE PEIRCE.

COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENT ACTION.

The important activities of this department have been faithfully carried on during the past season, and a combination of willing hearts and working hands has enabled the Union to give aid and comfort to many who might otherwise have suffered. Some conception of what has been accomplished may be formed through the following reports:—

THE COUNTRY WEEK, FIFTEENTH SEASON.—We take especial pride in this charity, so distinctively a Union enterprise, and one which, probably, excites more popular interest than any other single branch of our special benevolent work. It has steadily grown in dimensions, in importance, and in usefulness, until it may now be regarded as almost a necessity to our city.

Its practicability and its good results have been so marked as to invite the consideration and imitation of philanthropists in other cities.

The work seems to its supporters important, not only on account of the healthful enjoyment afforded to the children during their little vacation, but also because of the abiding influence of the new ideas received by these little ones in their contact with better manners and better living. Instincts of temperance, morality, and order are thus developed which are calculated, surely, if slowly, to promote the general welfare and order of the community.

It is pleasant again to remark the growth of the work. It began in 1875, when 160 children were sent on summer vacations; and since then the annual number has steadily increased, the average yearly advance being about 200. During the past season there were sent out 2,762 children and 343 adults, a total of 3,105 persons.

The Union has had the good fortune to retain in charge of this work Miss Ellen H. Bailey; and much of its success is due to her skilful management, her intelligent judgment, and her hearty interest. She has been actively supported by the Special Committee of ladies whose names appear below, and who have devoted much time and untiring effort to this work. In counsel and advice, in tours of inspection, in "specially conducting" parties of children, and in many other ways, their services have been invaluable, and should win for them the grateful appreciation of all interested in the Country Week.

The Financial Statement is as follows: —

Balance from the previous season,			\$2,282.46	
Donations,		•	10,645.25	
Interest and Dividends,			54.00	\$12,981.71
Expenses,				12,435.64
Balance on hand March 31, 1890, .				\$546.07

A comparison with the statement of the previous year shows an increased expenditure, necessitated by the growth of the work, and a decrease in donations, which may be partly accounted for by the demands made upon the charitable public, early in the summer of 1889, in the interest of the Johnstown sufferers. This has resulted in leaving but a slender balance in the hands of the Committee with which to begin our work, and a somewhat more generous support is hoped for during the coming season.

The Fifteenth Annual Report, containing many interesting details, may be had upon application to the Secretary.

Special Committee for 1889.

Miss Ellen H. Bailey, Secretary.

Miss S. E. Hearsey.

Miss K. F. Tileston.

Mrs. C. R. Howard.

Miss Adelaide Hall.

Miss Mary L. Clapp.

Miss A. Lora Weiss.

Miss Georgiana Allen.

Miss G. S. Callender.

Miss G. O. Folsom.

Miss Mary E. Pierce.

Mrs. I. C. Barrows.

Miss Julia E. Clapp. Mrs. Edward A. Church.

RIDES FOR INVALIDS, SIXTEENTH SEASON.— This branch of Union work has been carried on the past year by means of the usual generous aid, with continued good results. Six hundred orders for carriages have been issued, and about 1,550 have used them.

To the many invalids and convalescents who have been reached, this charity has proved a great boon.

As in previous years, orders have been sent to various hospitals and other institutions, a list of which is appended.

Massachusetts General Hospital. Massachusetts Homœopathic Hospital. City Hospital. Channing Home.
St. Luke's Home for Convalescents.
Consumptives' Home.

Boston Lying-in Hospital.
Carney Hospital.
Children's Hospital.
St. Elizabeth's Hospital.
Free Hospital for Women.
N.E. Hospital for Women and Children.
House of the Good Samaritan.

Home for Aged Men.
Home for Aged Women.
Home for Aged Couples.
Home for Aged Colored Women.
Home for Aged Females, Roxbury.
Winchester Home for Aged Women.
Temporary Home of the Destitute.

Miss Burnap's Free Home for Aged Women. Women's Educational and Industrial Union. Boston Young Women's Christian Association.

In addition to the carriage orders, tickets for harbor excursions to the number of 1,483 were distributed, also 5,561 horse-car tickets. By means of the latter, the Committee were enabled to do much good in sending tired mothers and children to the suburbs, and conveying convalescents to and from dispensaries and hospitals. It was, therefore, a source of much regret when the West End Street Railway Company ceased the sale of these tickets to the Union, and thus seriously crippled the work in this direction.

Tickets and o	order	s is	ssı	iec	l v	vei	re	as	fo	ollo)W	s :-			
Carriage drives, .			•									•			1,550
Harbor tickets, .						•			•			•	•	•	1,483
Horse-car tickets,		•									•	•			5,561
															8,594
Receipts and	expe	end	liti	ure	es	we	ere	:-	_						
Balance April 1, 18	889, .														\$4.35
Donations,										•	•				
														\$2,	285.56
Carriage hire,														\$ 1,	289.74
Harbor and horse-															670.26
Postage, stationery	, etc.,	•			•	•	•								52.51
Balance March 31,	1890,	,								•	•	•			273.05
														\$2,	285.56

To all who have assisted in this charity, the Committee return thanks, and would acknowledge their

indebtedness to those whose special donations have furnished the means to forward the work.

EMPLOYMENT BUREAU FOR YOUNG MEN.— Mr. H. C. Bronsdon has continued his faithful and judicious management of this work, and furnishes the following statement for the year:—

Applications for employme	nt,			•			854
" employees	, .						348
Applicants sent to places,							314
Places filled,							249

On comparing the above statement with that of the previous year, it appears that the past season has shown a larger number seeking employment and a smaller demand for employees, which is certainly an unfortunate combination. However, more places were permanently filled than in the previous season; and the number might have been still larger, had the right material been at hand. Applicants are not sent after situations indiscriminately; but care is exercised to choose the right man for the position offered, and the Union has been often commended for the judgment shown in its selections. Young men should not be discouraged from applying to this bureau. While the incompetent may have to wait, there is always a demand for intelligent, honest, and earnest workers.

BOARD AND LODGING.—We have on our Register over two hundred houses in the city and about fifty country residences where board and lodging are offered at various prices. Care has been taken to register only those places which could be safely commended to young men; and the result is believed to be reliable. The list is open to members and to the public, and is much consulted.

CARE OF THE SICK.— Our invalid members have not been neglected; and the Committee invite information of all cases requiring attention.

DISTRIBUTION OF CLOTHING.— Mr. Bronsdon has again had charge of this feature of our work, and has been able in a quiet way to render help to many needy and deserving persons both within and without the Union membership. Our wardrobe is constantly being drawn upon; and any assistance in its replenishing will be gratefully received.

The action of the Union in behalf of the Pennsylvania sufferers may be mentioned here. Early in June, upon learning of the Johnstown calamity, the Union, through its President, offered to receive and forward clothing and other goods for the relief of the destitute. The response was prompt and abundant. Seventy-five packages (barrels, cases, etc.) were forwarded; and more were in readiness, when advices arrived that further supplies were not needed.

It is proper to mention, also, the work of this Committee on Thanksgiving Day during the great fire in this city, when the Union distributed coffee, rolls, etc., among the firemen.

SEATS IN CHURCHES.— Attendance upon religious services is always encouraged by the Christian Union; and members desiring seats in churches of any denomination may be assisted in obtaining them by applying to the President.

EDWARD A. CHURCH, *Chairman*. JOHN H. EDWARDS. CHARLES L. BURRILL.

COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORSHIP AND RELIGIOUS STUDY.

The Committee on Public Worship and Religious Study have during the past year, as heretofore, fully realized the importance of this branch of the work of the Union in the interests and welfare of the large numbers of young people who are thus reached and influenced for good.

Your Committee look back with great satisfaction upon the deep interest manifested by the large audiences which have attended the public religious services held all through the year, on Sunday evenings, in The Union Hall.

The clergy and laymen of the various religious denominations have with great kindness responded to the invitations extended to them to be present and to conduct these services. For this kindness on their part your Committee take this occasion and means to express their gratitude and thanks.

We have been favored during the year with the valued assistance of many musical friends, to whom we would in this public way express our thanks for their services so kindly rendered.

Mr. Byron A. Robinson, who has filled with great acceptance the position of Musical Director at the Union for several years, has been obliged within the past few months to resign his position, having located in business at the West.

Mr. George Mendall Taylor, as pianist and accompanist, has faithfully and with ability attended to his official duties during the year.

Mr. Carl E. Merrill, cornetist, for several months during the season, added much to the musical success of the vesper and other Sunday evening services.

Cards have been prepared monthly, giving the particulars of each Sunday evening,—speaker, subject, musical matters, etc. These cards have been freely distributed to members and friends at the Rooms of the Union, and have evidently been greatly appreciated.

The following named Clergymen and Laymen have conducted the services from April 1, 1889, to April 1, 1890:—

Sunday Evenings in April.

1889.

- April 7. Illustrated Lecture on "The Holy Land," by Mr. M. H. Gulisian, a native of Armenia, consisting of sketches of his personal experience in that country, illustrated by the stereopticon, accompanied by vocal and instrumental music. Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Whitney, Miss Alice Gray, Harry W. Noble, George Mendall Taylor, accompanist.
- April 14. Musical Praise Service: Choice musical programme by Mrs. Flora E. Barry, contralto; Mrs. H. L. Whitney, Mrs. A. C. Sparrow, sopranos; Mi-s C. A. Allen, alto; Mr. S. A. Chase, baritone; Mr. Chandler Robbins, baritone; Mr. A. L. Bradford, basso; H. L. Whitney, musical director. Select readings by Professor Moses True Brown. Congregational singing and other exercises.
- April 21. Easter Sunday: Special Easter music programme.

 Mrs. B. F. Gilbert, soprano; Mrs. F. P. Whitney,
 soprano; Mrs. Flora E. Barry, contralto; Mr. Fred
 A. Weatherbee, tenor; Mr. Frank L. Pratt, baritone; Mr. Wulf Fries, 'cello; Mr. Van Veachton
 Rogers, harpist; George Mendall Taylor, musical
 director. Brief address by the President, W. H.
 Baldwin. Subject, "Easter and its Associations."
- April 28. Special Service: "The Centennial of Washington's Inauguration." 1789–1889. Addresses by Hon. John D. Long and Rev. E. A. Horton. Special music solos, duets, etc. by Mrs. F. P. Whitney, soprano; Mrs. Flora E. Barry, contralto; Mr. H. L. Whitney, tenor; Mr. Frank L. Pratt, baritone; George Mendall Taylor, accompanist.

Sunday Evenings in May.

- May 5. Rev. Andrew Gray, of the Episcopal Church, Boston.
 Illustrated Lecture. Subject, "Witnesses to God and Christianity, as shown in Nature, History, and Art." Illustrated by the stereopticon. A large number of beautifully colored views just received from London.
- May 12. Praise Vesper Service: Musical selections by Miss Edith W. Munroe, contralto; Carl E. Merrill, cornetist, and others. Sacred readings by Mr. Walter K. Fobes, elocutionist. Brief address by the President, W. H. Baldwin. Subject (by request), "How to spend our Sundays during the Summer."
- May 19. Charles A. Nussbaum, of Paris, France, by special request, repeated his impressive and interesting lecture upon "Scenes from the Life of Jesus." Beautiful drawings by Henry Hofmann were exhibited by the stereopticon, accompanied by reading from the gospel, and piano selections by George Mendall Taylor.
- May 26. Vesper Service: Address by Rev. John H. Heywood, of Melrose, Mass. Subject, "On the Cultivation of Friendship." Special music. Miss Bessie L. Pierce, soprano; Miss Edith L. Munroe, contralto; Carl E. Merrill, cornetist; George Mendall Taylor, accompanist.

Sunday Evenings in June.

- June 2. Rev. Francis B. Hornbrooke, of Newton. Subject,

 "The Value of the Church." Special music. Mrs.

 Flora E. Barry, contralto; Carl E. Merrill, cornetist.
- June 9. Rev. Francis B. Hornbrooke, of Newton. Subject, "Men and the Larger Life." Special music. Mrs. F. P. Whitney, soprano; Carl E. Merrill, cornetist.
- June 16. Rev. Charles W. Wendte, of Oakland, Cal. Subject, "How to be Happy." Special music. Miss Edith L. Munroe, contralto; Carl E. Merrill, cornetist.
- June 23. Rev. Stopford W. Brooke, of the First Church, Boston.
 Subject, "Christ on his Entrance into Life Work."
 Special music. Miss Alice M. Sibley, contralto;
 Carl E. Merrill, cornetist.
- June 30. Rev. George L. Perin, of the Shawmut Avenue Universalist Church, Boston. Subject, "What shall I do?"

Musical selections by the Shawmut Male Quartet; B. E. Noble, first tenor; Thomas R. Williams, second tenor; F. E. Woodward, baritone; H. L. Dring, bass; Jabez L. Robinson, accompanist.

Sunday Evenings in July.

- July 7. Vesper Service: Address by Rev. J. W. F. Barnes, chaplain Massachusetts State Prison. Subject, "How to consider the Offender." Special music. Miss Alice M. Sibley, contralto; Carl E. Merrill, cornetist; Byron A. Robinson, musical director: Jabez L. Robinson, accompanist.
- July 14. Vesper Service: Address by Rev. George M. Bodge, of East Boston. Subject, "Enthusiasm." Eddie Frazier, cornetist.
- July 21. Musical Praise Service: Vocal and instrumental music.

 B. A. Robinson, baritone; Edith L. Munroe, contralto; Eddie Frazier, cornetist. Select readings by Professor Moses True Brown, and other exercises.
- July 28. Vesper Service: Address by Rev. H. H. Barber, of Meadville, Penn. Subject, "Four Square Foundations of Character." Choice musical selections by Walter Lowes Heath, the young baritone. B. A. Robinson, musical director; Jabez L. Robinson, accompanist.

Sunday Evenings in August.

- Aug. 4. Vesper Service: Rev. A. D. Mayo. "A Summer in Boston."
- Aug. 11. Vesper Service: Address by Rev. W. S. Key, formerly of Old Boston, Eng., now of Wollaston, Mass. Subject, "Courage."
- Aug. 18. Musical Praise Service: Special musical selections: solos, congregational singing, etc. Select sacred readings by Walter K. Fobes, elocutionist. Byron A. Robinson, musical director; Jabez L. Robinson, accompanist.
- Aug. 25. Vesper Service: Rev. A. D. Mayo. "Off and on Vacation."

-Sunday Evenings in September.

Rev. A. D. Mayo.

- Sept. 1. "Young People in Boston." Byron A. Robinson, musical director; George Mendall Taylor, accompanist.
- Sept. 8. "God's Church and the Devil's Church." Special musical selections by Walter Lowes Heath, baritone, and B. A. Robinson; Fannie D. Kingsley, pianist.
- Sept. 15. "Work and Play." Solos by Maurice A. Metcalf, basso.
- Sept. 22. "How to help Good City Government."
- Sept. 29. "City Opportunities and their Use." Special musical selections by Mrs. Grace V. Cook, soprano; B. A. Robinson, baritone; Carl E. Merrill, cornetist; Miss Emma L. Pearson, accompanist.

Sunday Evenings in October.

- Oct. 6. Rev. Andrew Gray, of Boston. Sacred Lecture. Subject, "Rome: Its Monuments and Witnesses to Christianity." Illustrated by about sixty views, several of them beautifully colored.
- Oct. 13. Vesper Service: Mrs. Mary A. Livermore. Subject, "Bear ye One Another's Burdens." Special musical selections by Mrs. Flora E. Barry, contralto; Carl E. Merrill, cornetist.
- Oct. 20. Vesper Service: Address by W. H. Baldwin, President.
 Subject, "Looking Backward." Special musical
 programme by the following artists: Mr. H. E. Holt,
 baritone; Mrs. H. E. Holt, mezzo soprano; Miss
 Minnie Brown, soprano; Mrs. Everett Locke, contralto; Miss Nellie May Holt, violinist; Mr. Walter
 C. Hobbs, tenor; Mr. J. F. Sumner, basso; Mrs.
 H. E. Holt, accompanist.
- Oct. 27. Musical Praise Service. Walter Lowes Heath, the young baritone; Mr. Percy J. J. Cooper, tenor; Mr. B. A. Robinson, baritone; Carl E. Merrill, 'cornetist; Wm. G. Hambleton, accompanist. Congregational singing, and other exercises. Select sacred readings by Professor Charles Bickford.

Sunday Evenings in November.

- Nov. 3. Rev. J. J. Lewis, of South Boston. Sacred lecture. Subject, "An Evening with Saint Paul." Illustrated by many stereopticon views. B. A. Robinson, musical director; George Mendall Taylor, accompanist.
- Nov. 10. Vesper Service: Address by Hon. Edmund H. Bennett, Dean of the Boston University Law School.

 Subject, "The Truth and Harmony of the Gospels."

 Special music: solos, duets, etc. Miss Marie Van V.

 Rogers, soprano; Miss Mary S. Davis, contralto;

 Carl E. Merrill, cornetist.
- Nov. 17. Vesper Service: Address by Rev. George M. Bodge, of East Boston. Subject, "The Influence of Ideals." Choice musical programme by the choir of his church, thirty voices. Mr. Harry B. Emmons, accompanist.
- Nov. 24. Thanksgiving Praise Service: Special musical programme. Brief Address by the President, W. H. Baldwin. Subject, "Away from Home." Choice musical selections by Mrs. Flora E. Barry, contralto; Miss Alice M. Sibley, contralto; Mr. C. Frank Randall, baritone; Carl E. Merrill, cornetist; Mr. George Mendall Taylor, accompanist.

Sunday Evenings in December.

- Dec. 1. Vesper Service: Sermon by Rev. William R. Alger, of Boston. Subject, "Modes of Cultivating Moral and Religious Faith amidst the Doubts of our Time." Special musical selections by Miss Marie Van V. Rogers, soprano; Miss Mary S. Davis, mezzo soprano; Mrs. Alice Hackett, contralto; Mr. H. Lorenzo Teetzel, baritone.
- Dec. 8. Vesper Service: Address by Rev. Edward A. Horton, of Boston. Subject, "An Open Window." Special musical programme by the quartet choir of his church: Mrs. Minnie Stevens Coffin, soprano; Miss Lillian Carll Smith, contralto; Mr. J. W. McCabe, tenor; Mr. Arthur W. Wellington, basso; Mr. Howard M. Dow, accompanist and director.
- Dec. 15. Special Service commemorative of "Forefathers' Day."

 Address by Hon. John D. Long, President of the Pilgrim Society. Subject, "The Pilgrim Fathers."

Special music: Mrs. Flora E. Barry, contralto; Carl E. Merrill, cornetist; Wulf Fries, 'cello; George Mendall Taylor, accompanist.

Dec. 22. Christmas Vesper Service: Address by the President.
William H. Baldwin. Subject, "Christmas." Special musical programme appropriate to Christmas:
Mrs. F. P. Whitney, soprano; Mrs. Flora E. Barry, contralto; Fred A. Wetherbee, tenor; Frank L. Pratt, basso; Wulf Fries, 'cello; Carl E. Merrill, cornetist; George Mendall Taylor, accompanist.

Dec. 29. Sermon by Mrs. Mary A. Livermore. Subject, "Show us the Father, and it sufficeth us." Special music: Carl E. Merrill, cornetist.

Sunday Evenings in January.

1890.

- Jan. 5. Special Service: New Year's Sermon by Rev. Phillips Brooks, D.D. Singing of appropriate hymns, also other exercises by the congregation.
- Jan. 12. Vesper Service: Address by Walter K. Fobes, of Boston. Subject, "Famous Hymns: Their Origin and Inspiration." Singing of selected hymns by the congregation, also those by solo voices.
- Jan. 19. Vesper Service: Sermon by Rev. W. Dewees Roberts, assistant minister Trinity Church, Boston. Subject, "The Man on the Mountain." Choice musical selections by Miss Edith N. Burleigh, soprano; Mrs. Alice Steele Hackett, contralto; George Mendall Taylor, accompanist; Carl E. Merrill, cornetist.
- Jan. 26. Praise Service: Special musical selections. Mrs. F. P. Whitney, soprano; Mrs. Alice Steele Hackett, contralto; Mr. Elmer E. Randall, basso; Carl E. Merrill, cornetist; George Mendall Taylor, accompanist. Select sacred readings by Professor Moses True Brown. Brief Address by the President, W. H. Baldwin. Subject, "The Road to Happiness."

Sunday Evenings in February.

Feb. 2. Lysander Dickerman, of Boston. Subject, "The Pharaoh that knew Joseph, and the Pharaoh that knew him not." Special musical selections: Miss Edith E. Lamphrey, soprano; Miss Lucy Tucker, con-

tralto; Mr. George F. Peabody, tenor; Mr. W. A. Willis, basso; Carl E. Merrill, cornetist; George Mendall Taylor, accompanist.

- Feb. 9. Rev. Andrew Gray, of the Episcopal Church, of Boston. Sacred lecture. Illustrated by the stereopticon. Subject, "The Triumph of Christian Zeal; or, The Result of Christian Work and Effort in the England of a Former Day. A Lesson for our Times." Carl E. Merrill, cornetist; George Mendall Taylor, accompanist.
- Feb. 16. Special Service: George Washington, born Feb. 22, 1732; Abraham Lincoln, born Feb. 12, 1809. Service conducted by the President, W. H. Baldwin. James E. Murdock, the eminent elocutionist and reader, gave the reading of Washington's Farewell Address, followed by a talk embracing personal recollections and incidents of Abraham Lincoln. Appropriate musical selections by Mrs. Flora E. Barry, contralto. George M. Taylor, accompanist.
- Feb. 23. Rev. Brooke Herford, of Arlington Street Church,
 Boston. Subject, "Stand up on thy Feet." Carl E.
 Merrill, cornetist; George Mendall Taylor, accompanist.

Sunday Evenings in March.

- Mar. 2. Address by B. W. Williams, of Boston: Subject, "Music as a Power in Social and Church Life." Choice musical selections by Mr. Frank May, from the Royal Academy of Music, London, accompanied by Mrs. May, Miss Mae D. Howard, Miss M. A. Crosette. Carl E. Merrill, cornetist; George Mendall Taylor, accompanist.
- Mar. 9. Professor H. G. Mitchell, of the School of Theology of Boston University. Sacred lecture, "Round about Jerusalem." Illustrated by the stereopticon. About sixty beautiful views. Carl E. Merrill, cornetist; George Mendall Taylor, accompanist.
- Mar. 16. Vesper Service: Rev. Stopford W. Brooke, of the First Church, Boston. Subject, "Christ's View of Anxiety." Choice musical selections by quartet: Miss K. A. Bowers, conductor; Miss E. Gertrude Fogg, soprano; Miss Alice Pierce, contralto; Mr. George

B. Young, tenor; Mr. Jacob Schoen, bass. George Mendall Taylor, accompanist.

Mar. 23. Vesper Service: Rev. Roland Cotton Smith, assistant minister Trinity Church, Boston. Subject, "The Way to Believe." Special musical programme by Miss Bessie Driver, soprano; Miss Edith L. Munroe, contralto; Mrs. Alice Steele Hackett, contralto; J. C. Bartlett, tenor; Mrs. H. E. Sylvester, Mrs. W. J. Morse; George Mendall Taylor, accompanist.

Mar. 30. Praise Service: Singing and other exercises by the congregation. Special musical selections by Miss M. Lillian Cushing, soprano; Mrs. H. E. Holt, mezzo soprano and accompanist; Miss Grace Pierce, contralto; Miss Nellie Holt, reader and violinist; Mr. C. H. Cummings, tenor; Mr. Horace M. Walton, baritone. Address by Rev. Henry F. Jenks, of Canton, Mass. Subject, "Words and Thoughts."

Practical Ethics, Thirteenth Annual Course.— We have always regarded the courses on Practical Ethics at the Union as of vital importance to the large number of young men who have attended; and we are now pleased to be able to state that we have had the most convincing proofs during the course just closed that we have not overestimated the great value of this means used of helping to properly influence, educate, and impress the young during the specially formative period of their characters.

Many young men during the past season's course have freely and kindly expressed their appreciation of the value to them of the full and free consideration of the subjects in ethics, which have been so concisely presented and so practically treated by the several essayists.

The following copy of card, as issued for the season, gives the list of dates, essayists, and subjects treated:—

Thursday Evenings.

1890.

- Jan. 16. Richard H. Dana, of Boston: "The Ethics of Politics."
- Jan. 23. Rev. Reuen Thomas, D.D., of Brookline: "Self-control, Mental and Physical."
- Jan. 30. Rev. Fred. Baylies Allen, of Boston, Secretary New England Society for Suppression of Vice: "Gambling: Why is it always Wrong?"
- Feb. 6. Rev. Charles G. Ames, of Boston: "The Ethics of Frugality,—Time, Money, and Personal Force."
- Feb. 13. Rev. George H. Young, of Boston: "Moral Apathy and Moral Energy."
- Feb. 20. Mrs. Isabel C. Barrows, of Boston: "Purity of Thought and Speech."
- Feb. 27. Rev. Edward J. Young, of Waltham: "Proper Books and Systematic Reading."
- Mar. 6. Mrs. Kate Gannett Wells, of Boston: "The Choice of Friends."
- Mar. 13. Edward O. Otis, M.D., of Boston, Medical Director of the Union Gymnasium: "The Ethics of Health."
- Mar. 20. William H. Baldwin, President Young Men's Christian Union: "The Ethics of Amusements."

SUMMER LIST OF CLERGYMEN.—As for several years past, a public invitation was extended to the clergymen of the different religious denominations who were to be in Boston or vicinity during the summer vacation season to send or leave their addresses with the President of the Union.

A full list was carefully prepared, which was freely consulted, and, as heretofore, proved to be of great convenience to many persons who had occasion to desire the services of a clergyman during that time.

WILLIAM H. BALDWIN, *Chairman*.
FRANK L. LOCKE.
CHARLES L. BURRILL.

COMMITTEE ON PHYSICAL CULTURE.

The Gymnasium has been in charge of Mr. J. W. Montgomery as Superintendent and Mr. W. H. Lyon as Assistant Superintendent, both of whom have rendered efficient service. The largest membership at any time during the year was one thousand and ninety-four (1,094). Early in the year, Mr. A. H. Brown retired from the position of Medical Director, and the services of Dr. Edward O. Otis were secured to fill the vacancy. His report is herewith appended:—

I have the honor to make the following report of the Medical Director's department of the Gymnasium, which I took charge of Oct. 1, 1889, upon the retirement of Mr. Brown. A small room up one flight from the Gymnasium was fitted up for the physical examinations of the men, and has proved to be far more satisfactory than the room formerly used on the floor of the Gymnasium.

A notice was posted in the Gymnasium urging all new members to be examined before commencing their work. To this three hundred and thirteen (313) have responded up to the present time. The men have been encouraged to consult the Medical Director on anything connected with their health, as influenced by their work in the Gymnasium, at any time during his office hours. Each man examined — and it is a source of regret that all do not take the examination — is given a prescription indicating the parts of the body needing attention and any deformities or disparities needing correction, and is then referred to the Superintendent. The Superintendent, with the guidance of this prescription, indicates upon a card the proper developing machines and exercises required to produce the results desired, and either he or his assistant personally illustrates to the beginner the proper manner of using the apparatus. Short axioms and rules relating to the manner, time, and method of exercising, bathing, rest, and general care of one's self outside of the Gymnasium are printed on each card.

It is impressed upon each member that the great object of gymnasium work is to develop the body symmetrically, correct disparities, and to keep in a healthy condition all the bodily organs, the heart, lungs, kidneys, organs of digestion, skin, and nervous system.

Observations upon the temperature of the Gymnasium have been made during the winter; and it is hoped, later, to obtain tests as to the purity of the air at times when a large number of men are on the floor.

The following new apparatus have been added to the Gymnasium since the last report: Split-handle Giant Pulley, Upright Wrist, Arm, and Body Machine, Head, Back, Arm, and Leg Machine, Leg Rotating Machine.

The class work has been made an especial feature by the Superintendent, and both afternoon and evening classes have been largely attended. Two very interesting exhibitions have been given during the season.

The epidemic of influenza, which prevailed during the winter, showed its effect by reducing somewhat the number in attendance.

In conclusion, I would call especial attention to the work the Gymnasium is doing among young men who are confined indoors most of the day, as clerks, book-keepers, elevator attendants, and the like, often in places where the air is vitiated and the temperature too high. The value to them of an evening at the Gymnasium several times a week, when the lungs can be properly expanded, the blood more actively circulated,

and the mind pleasantly occupied with the variety of interests a gymnasium always offers, can hardly be estimated.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD O. OTIS, M.D.,

Medical Director.

The Gymnasium was closed for a short time during the summer for necessary repairs.

WILLIAM B. CLARKE, *Chairman*. WALTER H. DUGAN. EDWARD A. CHURCH.

THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR'S FESTIVAL.

This annual festival for poor and needy children has now become well established in the customs of the Union. The seventeenth festival was held in The Union Hall and adjoining rooms on Saturday afternoon, Jan. 4, 1890.

The work for this season was, as usual, in charge of a committee of ladies and gentlemen, most of whom had rendered similar devoted service in past years. Sub-committees on Invitations, Presents, Refreshments, and Tree and Entertainment, attended to the routine and details of the work as respectively assigned to them, a special committee of the Board of Government having general charge of the whole affair. The Committee have felt very keenly the loss occasioned by the death of Mr. William Fred. Whitcomb, who had long shown a sincere and hearty interest in this work.

Circulars were issued early in December calling for contributions of clothing, boots, shoes, materials to be

made into garments, books, toys, and money. In prompt response to these circulars, generous contributions of money as well as of useful articles were received.

This charity has grown to such an extent, and has become so well known among the needy little ones of our city, that no little difficulty is experienced in selecting those to be favored with invitations. In this selection the Committee on Invitations is aided by the Board of Associated Charities, by the Truant Officers of the schools, and by many interested friends. In this way, only worthy children are favored. Care is also taken to make the charity as extended as possible.

The little ones have come to look forward to the Festival as a great event, and many are the anxious inquiries as to whether such and such ones are to be invited. The happiness and enthusiasm shown by the children as they gather in the Hall, and the genuine pleasure pictured on their faces, are certainly gratifying evidences of their appreciation of this work.

Invitations were sent to 576 children. The mothers of some of the youngest were also invited to attend. The Invitation Committee received the little guests on their arrival at the Union. In the anterooms, outer garments were removed and checked. The ushers then took charge of the juvenile visitors, and they were speedily seated in regular order in the Hall.

When all was in readiness, Mr. George Peirce, Chairman of the Committee, in a few pleasant words welcomed the children to the seventeenth annual celebration. The Entertainment Committee then took charge of affairs, and for an hour attention was given to the following friends who entertained the children with pleasing selections: Mrs. Louise Baldwin Powers, soprano; the Schumann Male Quartette,— J. F. Han-

shue, first tenor, A. F. Burnett, second tenor, W. H. Turner, first bass, H. W. Upham, second bass; Miss Minnie M. Gould, accompanist; R. A. Gordon, Punch and Judy performer; Orchestra from Boston Cadet Band; Thomas Henry, cornetist.

As a part of the entertainment the children were invited to sing in concert. Various popular songs were selected and led by Mr. Henry with his cornet, the children entering heartily into the singing.

At the close of the entertainment, the curtain at the front of the stage was raised, disclosing the usual large Christmas tree, loaded with presents and brilliantly lighted. Santa Claus, making his appearance at this point from the chimney place, was heartily greeted. The part of Santa Claus was very acceptably performed by Mr. Horace S. Fowle.

Before leaving, the children were served with refreshments by the Refreshment Committee, assisted by a large corps of volunteer waiters, ladies and gentlemen, friends of the Committee.

As the children left the Hall, each received a present from the tree, and also a bundle containing clothes, toys, etc. These bundles were made up by the Present Committee, from the contributions received and from purchases made with the money donated by the many kind friends. In making up the bundles, the members of the Invitation Committee and others interested are consulted as to the individual needs of each child. In this way a very judicious disposition of the materials is made.

Letters of acknowledgment have been sent to each of the donors of money and articles, but the Committee take this opportunity to again thank them for the kind and generous contributions. Thanks are also due, and are heartily extended, to the many friends who re-

sponded so promptly to the invitations to assist in the several branches of the work.

Donations of clothing, refreshments, etc., were received from ninety-three individuals and firms. Two hundred and five ladies, gentlemen, and business firms contributed money to the amount of \$1,596.35.

The Special Committee in charge were as follows: -

Committee on Invitations.

Miss Fannie A. Baldwin.	Mr. Frank L. Locke.
Miss Sarah E. Hearsey.	Miss Ellen H. Bailey.
Mr. Warren A. Wright.	Mr. George M. Felch.

Committee on Presents.

Miss C. Louise Smith.	Mis. William L. Kelt.
Miss Grace O. Folsom.	Miss Laura F. Peirce.
Miss Jeanie Burrage.	Mr. Leonard Stone.
Miss Minnie F. Ranney.	Mr. Horace S. Fowle.
Miss Annie W. Cumings.	Miss Annie C. Fisk.
Mrs. George Herbert Sprague.	Mrs. E. A. Church.
Miss Mary L. Clapp.	Miss Helen A. Fowle.

Miss Emma P. Hunt.

Committee on Refreshments.

Mrs. John G. Wetherell.	Mr. C. L. Burrill.
Miss Edith Crehore.	Miss K. F. TILESTON.
Miss HARRIET WARE.	Mrs. L. W. PAGE.
Mr. James F. Thomas.	Mrs. E. C. RICHARDSON.
Miss Lucy M. Prince.	Mrs. J. H. Edwards.

Committee on Tree and Entertainment.

Miss Annie A. Hough.	Miss MILLY H. RUST.
Mrs. C. R. HOWARD.	Miss Fannie I. Rust.
Mrs. A. K. WHITNEY.	Miss Lillian Bowen.
Miss Helen M. Ranney.	Miss E. J. HILL.

CALVIN G. HARTSHORN.

Committee of the Board of Government.

GEORGE PEIRCE.	WALTER H. DUGAN.
Edward A. Church.	FRANK L. LOCKE.
John H. Edwards.	CHARLES L. BURRILL.

STATEMENT BY THE TRUSTEES OF THE PER-MANENT FUND.

The reports of the several Committees having charge of the different branches of the work of the Union during the past year, as presented at the annual meeting held April 9, 1890, give evidence of another successful year, which we are confident will be gratifying to the friends of the Union.

Amount in the hands of the Treasurer of the "Permanent Fund":—

Boston & Providence R.R. Four Per Cent. Bonds, .	\$20,000.00
Old Colony R.R. Four Per Cent. Bonds,	20,000.00
One Bond, Chicago, Burlington & Quincy,	1,000.00
Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley Six Per Cent.	
Bonds,	6,000.00
Ottumwa, Cedar Falls & St. Paul Five Per Cent. Bonds,	5,000.00
St. Louis, Kansas & South-western Six Per Cent	
Bonds,	10,000.00
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fé Four Per Cent. Bonds,	16,000.00
Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fé Income Bonds,	7,200.00
Oregon Railway & Navigation Five Per Cent. Bonds,	10,000.00
Illinois Steel Co. Five Per Cent. Bonds,	10,000.00
Cash, New England Trust Company (awaiting invest-	
ment),	2,706.60
	\$107,906.60

During the past year, the Trustees have received the following legacies, which have been added to the "Permanent Fund" (included in the above amount):—

Legacy u	nder will	of the late	e Edward E. Rice,	\$2,000.00
Gift from Charles Street Baptist Church, 1,000.00				
Legacy u	nder will	of the late	e Sidney Bartlett,	2,500.00
"	"	"	Oliver Ditson,	5,000.00
"	"	"	Mrs. Eliza Sutton,	2,000.00
46	"	"	Mrs. Abby J. Sawyer, .	2,000.00
"	"	"	Wm. Wilkins Warren, .	3,000.00
"		66	Mrs Amelia J. Sargent,	1,000.00

Having at heart the value of the work of the Union in the welfare of the large number of young people thus reached and benefited, we are deeply impressed with the importance of its being placed in a strong financial position, that thus the constantly increasing work may be welcomed and its accompanying demands fully provided for.

The Trustees confidently hope that the Permanent Fund of the Union shall be largely increased through the donations and legacies of friends, so as to add largely to the income which is so essential for the best interests of this society.

SAMUEL C. COBB, Chairman,
WILLIAM ENDICOTT, JR., Treasurer,
Trustees. EDWIN L. SPRAGUE,

Boston, April, 1890.

FORM OF BEQUEST.

I give and bequeath to the "Trustees of the Per manent Fund of the Boston Young Men's Christian Union" the sum of

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

Poston Young Men's Christian Union.

ARTICLE I.

Title.

THIS Society shall be called the "Boston Young Men's Christian Union."

ARTICLE II.

Eligibility of Members.

All young men of good moral character, and claiming to believe in the truths of Christianity, without distinction of sect or party, shall be eligible as members of this Society; but no person shall vote at any meeting of the Society who has not been a member for the period of one year, at least, previous to such meeting.

ARTICLE III.

Admission of Members.

Members may be admitted in such manner and on such conditions as the Board of Government may prescribe.

ARTICLE IV.

Annual, Subscription, and Life Members.

All persons qualified as before named, who shall be admitted in the manner herein provided, shall, upon the payment of *one dollar* annually, become and continue MEMBERS of this Society; upon the payment of *five dollars*, or more

annually, shall become and continue SUBSCRIPTION MEMBERS; and all persons so qualified and admitted, who shall pay the sum of *twenty-five dollars* in five or less annual instalments, shall become LIFE MEMBERS of the Society.

ARTICLE V.

Officers.

The officers of the Society shall consist of a Board of Directors, consisting of a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, and six additional members, all of whom shall be elected at the annual meeting by ballot from members of the Society, and shall hold their offices for one year, or until others are elected in their places. Vacancies occurring from any cause in said offices may be filled by the Board of Directors; and any officers so chosen shall hold their offices until the next regular election by the Society.

The Board of Directors shall have power to appoint, subject to their direction, such other officers and committees from among the members as they may deem expedient.

ARTICLE VI.

Duties of the Board of Directors.

It shall be the duty of the Board of Directors,—
First, To provide for the use of the Society suitable rooms, centrally located in the city of Boston.

Second, To provide and keep in said rooms such books, periodicals, and newspapers as will, in their judgment, promote the object of the Society.

Third, To make such arrangements for social religious exercises as they shall deem practicable and conducive to the best interests of the Society.

Fourth, To induce the members of the Society to connect themselves with some of the religious societies in the vicinity, according always to their denominational preferences, and especially to seek out and impart information, and render aid, assistance, and encouragement to those who come as strangers to the city, striving to guard them against

temptation, to surround them with Christian influences, and to interest them in the cultivation of a religious life.

ARTICLE VII.

Meetings.

The annual meeting of the Society for the choice of officers shall be held on the second Wednesday in April; and other regular meetings shall be held on the second Wednesdays of July, October, and January. The Board of Directors may call other meetings of the Society from time to time; and they shall call such meetings whenever requested so to do by the written application of any seventeen members, stating the purposes for which such meeting is to be held; said meetings to be called in such manner as the said Board may deem expedient, having previously given reasonable notice thereof. Seventeen members shall constitute a quorum of the Society for the transaction of business.

ARTICLE VIII.

Permanent Fund.

The Board of Directors may transfer such of the funds of the Society as they may think best to a Permanent Fund; may appoint five trustees to control such fund, and shall at the time of such appointment determine the character of the trust by an instrument in writing. Vacancies occurring at any time hereafter in the number of said trustees shall be filled by the remaining members, subject to the approval of the Board of Directors for the time being.

ARTICLE IX.

Amendments.

These articles may be added to, altered, or amended at any regular meeting, or special meeting called for the purpose, by a vote of three-fourths of the members present, provided that such additions, alterations, or amendments shall have been proposed in writing at one meeting, at least, prior to that at which they are to be acted upon.

BY-LAWS

OF THE

BOARD OF GOVERNMENT.

ARTICLE I.

Meetings.

REGULAR meetings of the Board of Government shall be held on the first Monday of each month. Special meetings may be called at any time, by order of the President, Secretary, or any two Directors. The Secretary shall notify members of the time and place of such meetings.

ARTICLE II.

Standing Committees.

At the first meeting of the Board in each year, eight standing committees shall be appointed by the President, who shall be under the authority and subject to the direction of the whole Board; and the reports of the various committees shall be first in order at each regular meeting of the Board. The committees may appoint, subject to the approval and ratification of the Board, such sub-committees from among the members of the Society as they shall deem fit, provided, however, that each sub-committee shall be subject in its action to the committee of the Board to which it is subordinate. The eight committees shall be constituted as follows:—

I. COMMITTEE ON FINANCE.— They shall have charge of the financial affairs of the Society, and shall, with the Treasurer, devise ways and means for procuring funds, obtaining donations and assessments, investing the same, and superintending all disbursements. They shall audit the report of the Treasurer before it is submitted to the Union at the annual meetings.

- 2. COMMITTEE ON LECTURES, CLASSES, AND ENTERTAINMENTS.— They may provide for courses of lectures or single lectures; shall organize and have supervision of all clubs and classes formed for instruction or discussion, except classes for religious study and discussion; and shall have general supervision of all entertainments, both public and private.
- 3. COMMITTEE ON LIBRARY.— They shall have the gen eral charge of all matters connected with this department. They shall purchase such books for the Library and Study, and obtain such newspapers and other periodicals as they deem expedient.
- 4. COMMITTEE ON ROOMS.— They shall have the general charge of the rooms, and shall take especial pains to introduce strangers visiting the city.
- 5. COMMITTEE ON MEMBERS.— They shall organize means for increasing the membership of the Society, and shall have the general supervision of the admission of new members.
- 6. COMMITTEE ON BENEVOLENT ACTION.— They shall organize means for providing strangers, and others in want, with employment, with good boarding-houses, with seats in churches, and shall have the general supervision of all works of benevolence and reform undertaken by the Union.
- 7. COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC WORSHIP AND RELIGIOUS STUDY.— They shall have charge of all measures for public religious worship undertaken by the Union, either within or outside of the rooms of the Society, and shall have the supervision of all classes formed for religious study and discussion.

8. COMMITTEE ON PHYSICAL CULTURE.— They shall have the general charge of the gymnasium and athletic sports, and other measures for promoting the health of the members.

ARTICLE III.

Treasurer.

The Treasurer shall present to the Board a Monthly Report showing the condition of the finances. No money shall be paid by him except by the authority of the Board, or approval in writing of some member of the committee under whose direction the expenditures were incurred.

ARTICLE IV.

Annual Report.

The Board shall present, at the annual meeting of the Society, a detailed statement of the condition of the institution and of its operations during the preceding year.

ARTICLE V.

Reports of Committees.

It shall be the duty of all committees to keep a detailed account of their proceedings, and at the end of the year to place the same, with the reports of their sub-committees, in the hands of the Secretary of the Society.

ARTICLE VI.

Amendments to By-Laws.

The foregoing By-Laws may be altered or amended at any meeting of the Board, providing two-thirds of the members present assent thereto; but no alteration, addition, or amendment shall be adopted at the same meeting at which it is proposed.

The President, Secretary, and Treasurer, ex officio, shall have the supervision of all printing and advertising.









